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NOTICE

This is a notice in response to the communication filed September 21, 2012, which is being treated as a request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28.

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Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

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